

## ARIZONA WEEKLY NEWS BUDGET.

### What Has Happened in the Territory Since Our Last Issue.

#### ALL KINDS OF INFORMATION.

**few Business Enterprises—Good Year for the Man With the Hoe, and the Owner of Live Stock—Everybody Will Have Many.**

The total registration for the water ends election in Phoenix numbered 206.

Col. J. W. Dorrington, of Yuma, recently underwent a successful operation for appendicitis at Los Angeles.

In the arizonian belt, in the vicinity of Benson and St. Davids, there are upwards of two hundred flowing wells.

The Williams News states that Henry P. Ashurst has gone east, expecting to be absent one year from the territory.

The Bisbee town council decided to call an election to vote on the proposition to issue \$200,000 bonds for water and sewer purposes.

Jeff Adams drove a flock of 600 turkeys from his ranch near McDowell to Phoenix, recently, to supply the Thanksgiving demand.

Coconino county, by the creation of a forest reserve within its boundaries, sustained a loss of \$778,516.92 in taxable wealth the past year.

Five thousand head of cattle and horses are to graze on the Santa Catalina forest reservation, by permission of the secretary of the interior.

Race suicide is evidently not one of the questions bothering the people of Nogales, Arizona, a town of 1800 people, that has 417 school children enrolled.

George A. Olney and Z. C. Prina visited Phoenix and Tempe last week to gain information in regard to reameries, as they contemplate building a creamery in connection with their ice factory at Safford.

Tucson will hold an election December 14 for three councilmen. The democratic candidates are: V. S. Griffith, W. E. Francis, Martin J. Duffy. The republicans have nominated Wm. Reid, Geo. P. Schofield and George Pusch.

There are over fifty cases of persons who have committed crimes and been held to answer that will occupy the attention of the Cochise county grand jury, and the Bisbee Review says it is expected that this body will be in session at least three weeks.

Epes Randolph will in all probability be compelled to relinquish his position as general manager of the Pacific electric system of Los Angeles on account of failing health, and return to Arizona to reside permanently. He has been ordered to return to Tucson to spend the winter.

The Missouri society of Salt river valley, Arizona, are enjoying themselves at a big basket picnic today at Phoenix. To the good people back in the old state where the mercury rovers around zero, this statement may seem incredible but if they will come to Arizona we will show 'em.

All the settlers above McDowell have moved. Those below McDowell, who hold improved lands, have not yet, but await the option of the government to buy the improvements. The land is to be divided up and occupied by about 250 Apache Indians, about half of whom are already on the land, and the remainder at San Carlos.

Francisco Fuentes, a sixteen-year-old boy, who with several companions was amusing himself by jumping on and off cars on the Longfellow incline near Morenci, fell and was run over, dying next morning after terrible suffering. We fully expect to have to record a similar accident here unless the boys are kept off the cars and away from the railroad yard.

Tucson is rejoicing over the settlement of the wedge removal question. Agreement has been reached for the removal of the lower wedge, block 66, whereby \$46,000 is to be paid the several owners of property in the wedge and the occupants thereof. The upper wedge was recently disposed of by trial in court, the jury giving Mrs. Sanford owner of the property judgment for \$20,000.

The Guardian states that Deputy Sheriff Franklin of Los Angeles county, Cal., arrived in Solomonville on Monday with requisition papers for C. R. Jackson, of the coal fields. Under Sheriff Richardson and Deputy McKenzie went down and arrested Jackson and turned him over to Mr. Franklin in Safford on Wednesday. Jackson is charged with perjury in having sworn to the signature of a

will alleged to have been made by a man by the name of Hill who died in Los Angeles last winter, leaving an estate valued at \$240,000 to an illegitimate daughter. The mother of the child says she wrote the will, and she and Jackson swore Hill signed it.

The International-American claims that the published statement purporting to give the receipts of presidential postoffices in the territory is incorrect and does Douglas an injustice. "During the period indicated by the figures in the table the receipts should have been \$6,645.09, the correct amount of receipts for the year ending June 30, 1903. This would have placed Douglas where she belongs, fifth on the list."

The Bisbee council has decided to remove the licenses from several kinds of business, and to offset some of the sweeping reductions the licenses will be greatly increased on saloons and wholesale liquor dealers. Just how much has not been definitely decided. The purpose of the committee is to make the saloons bear the brunt of the license tax and to relieve the small dealers in other lines of business of as much of the burden as possible.

The new Copper Queen hospital, at Bisbee, said to be the best appointed hospital in Arizona, has been opened. There are four wards with sixteen beds each, besides about thirty rooms for private patients. There are two large operating rooms, one of them being for emergency surgical cases. Every room in the building is fitted with all modern conveniences. This Copper Queen hospital will be for the care and treatment of all employees of the company between Bisbee and El Paso, as well as private patients.

Ranger W. K. Foster and Cattle Inspector Pruett recently rounded up a bunch of seventy-two cattle in the Chiricahua mountains that carried burned brands. One man has been arrested and is now in the county jail in Tombstone. His trial is set for the 7th of this month and will take place in the justice court of Bowie. Every one of the cattle rounded up by the ranger and the inspector had altered brands on them, which is proof positive that they are stolen cattle.—International.

According to A. A. Whitney, who is representing D. M. Osborne & Co., the farm implement manufacturing company, Arizona is well known among such concerns as his as buying large quantities of high grade farming machinery, and as farming communities whose debts are few. As a consequence the trade is eagerly competed for by all the salesmen of the large houses putting out different lines of farming machinery. Mr. Whitney said that Arizona throughout bought a better grade of machinery than any other section of the country.

The Era is informed that the people of the Gila valley, below Solomonville, are now strongly in favor of county division, and will instruct their representative to the next legislature to favor it. A majority of the people of this section are also in favor of division, or removal, though but little interest has been taken in the matter for the past year or more. Division will come in time, and the sooner the better for the tax payers.—Copper Era.

The Sentinel records the death of Abe Frank, a pioneer of Yuma county, on November 29. He went to Yuma county in 1867 and settled at La Paz, then the county seat, where he was engaged in merchandising, afterwards moving to Ehrenburg, and thence, in 1885, to Yuma. He was prominent in politics as well as in the business life of Yuma county for many years, and was a typical frontiersman, big hearted and open handed. His remains were sent to Los Angeles, to be interred in the Jewish cemetery there.

In regard to the question of supplying cement for the Salt river dam, Secretary Hitchcock has decided to abide by the decision of Director Newell and has turned the representatives of the trust over to him. Newell is now making efforts to get the cement men to reduce their objections to writing and to make a formal proposal to the government, stating the amount for which they will guarantee to lay down the cement on the site of the dam. If private manufacturers can show they can make the cement as cheaply as the government, they will be permitted to do so; otherwise they will have to let the government follow its own plans.

While the Santa Fe company has just placed its limited train in daily service for the winter, its other trains are being run in unlimited sections with an unlimited number of passengers. Just as a sample of the westbound travel, trains Nos. 1 and 7 are run in from two to three sections each. Yesterday there was one train of eleven cars passed Ash Fork which was composed of baggage and express cars entirely. Another section contained twelve standard Pullman coaches every berth of each car being filled, while other sections were composed of tourist cars, day coaches and chair cars.—Journal-Miner.

M. E. Hystone, of the weather bureau, stationed at Phoenix, Arizona, reports: "The majority of correspondents report the prospects for win-

ter feed to be the best that have existed for years. In a few localities, however, notably in Cochise county, near Naco; Graham county, near Central; in Maricopa county, and in Yavapai county, near Prescott, the supply of feed is reported to be short and the prospects for the winter not good unless rain comes soon. The supply of stock water on the ranges is holding out fairly well. In parts of Gila, Graham, Yavapai and Yuma counties, however, the water in springs and water holes has already become very low, and although the supply is still abundant in parts of the territory it is believed that the diminishing supply will cause suffering among stock over a large part of the territory unless rains come soon. With few exceptions, reports regarding the condition of stock of all kinds indicate that it is exceptionally good for the season of the year."

### THE YAVAPAI GRAND JURY

Thinks It Has Discovered a Case of Graft.

The grand jury of Yavapai county has been busy, says the Republican. It has discovered what it believes to be a case of graft, and in consequence William Thomas, county hospital contractor, has been indicted for the alleged collection of \$32.45 illegally for the care of a man by the name of Garner. This is supposed to be only one of several similar collections.

The report finds that the board of supervisors have been guilty of great negligence in the checking of the accounts of the hospital. Persons are admitted to the hospital by one or more members of the board upon the recommendation of the county physician. They are supposed to be discharged under the supervision of the physician, but as a matter of fact he is found to have superintended only a few of the discharges and he has been in the habit of making his report of discharges from the records of the clerk of the board, whose records are made up from the report of the contractor.

According to such record it appeared that during the last quarter there had been an average of 40 inmates, while the jury has ascertained that the average was only 28. The report recommended the removal of the contractor and the physician and the investigation of the responsibility of all persons concerned in the hospital irregularities. The supervisors are also advised to devote some time to checking accounts.

### POSTOFFICE RECEIPTS

Very Good Showing for Arizona—Several Large Increases

The following figures show the total postal receipts of all the presidential offices, second and third class, in Arizona, for the last two years, preceding June 30:

	1902	1903
Phoenix	\$29,864	\$29,662
Tucson	18,700	19,500
Prescott	14,529	18,053
Bisbee	12,722	15,553
Clifton	6,098	6,097
Flagstaff	4,636	5,430
Globe	6,217	5,492
Yuma	5,239	4,563
Jerome	5,169	4,050
Morenci	4,185	4,316
Tombstone	1,911	3,827
Williams	3,068	3,575
Winslow	3,334	3,403
Kingman	3,098	3,090
Tempe	2,604	2,950
Naco	2,614	2,614
Mesa	2,319	2,513
Safford	2,029	2,037
Douglas	2,031	2,031

The largest gain in Arizona has been made by Prescott, being 3523.

### Sulphur Fumes Eliminated.

Since the new flues and the 200 foot smoke stack have been in operation at the Washoe smelter, at Anaconda, Mont., there is a decided change in the color and variety of the smoke that issues from the top of the stack, and although all of the furnaces at the smelter have not been fired up as yet the draft is so great that it carries the smoke to a distance of 200 feet after it leaves the top of the stack, and then it floats away in the air, instead of hanging to the ground as it formerly did. Tests have been made of the smoke as it comes from the stack and flues, and it is said not to contain anything of an injurious nature. The system was built with idea of saving all of the arsenic and sulphur that were formerly carried away with the smoke, and which settled on the lands of the Deer Lodge ranchers.—Mining World.

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